

G.R.S. Form #114-B

140

To The A. G. O.

FULL NAME... BOYD, Gordon *Col Reg* FEB 6 - 1926

RANK... 1st Lieutenant SERIAL.....

DIVISION & ORGANIZATION... Company B, 120th Infantry 30

DATE OF DEATH... Oct. 5, 1918

STATE FROM WHICH HE CAME... New York

MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED... *Medal of Honor*

FINAL GRAVE LOCATION...
Date Grave Row Block

636

Cemetery

2 A.G.O.
FEB 8 1926
WORLD WAR DIV.

Robert O. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General
by *Joan* 2-10-26
Rec'd World War Div.
2 NOV 17 1927

AUDITED BY
3-23-25

24/292/EYS

GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

Boyd Gordon
LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

.....
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

.....
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL... *Oct. 1, 1917*

PLACE OF BURIAL... *Hester Court*

(Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

66 G.W.H. 1-13-C. 5-7.

GRAVE NUMBER... *17 U.S.A. Plot Row 1*

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?

Headboard? Bottle? *Yes.*

IDENTIFICATION TAGS:

Was one buried with body? *No.*

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? *No.*

If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here:

Name on sign in bottle.

REPORTED BY:

.....
(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be forwarded to Adj. Gen'l, G. H. Q., A. E. F.

[Faint, mirrored text from reverse side of the page, including "REPORTED BY" and "GRAVE NUMBER"]

Co. B. 120th Inf.

BOYD, Gordon 1st Lt.

Home address: New York, N.Y.

Killed

Informant was an eye witness.

The attack was on the Hindenburg Line, Ground held.

Killed by Hand Grenade. Lived a few minutes. Told his men to push forward and bomb M.G. post.

Body buried in Cemetery near Jeancourt, France.

Informant knew Christian name.

Information reliable.

Informant: Meesink, Herman Cpl. 1979976.

Co. B. 120th Inf.

Home:

Evansville, Ind.

Date - not given.

Emergency address: not given.

2nd Lt. Irving T. Snyder, Searcher.

K E.

BOYD, Gordon, Lt.

Co. B., 120th. Inf.

9/9/18

10/2/18

Buried in Heebicourt

Church Yard Cemetery (see ref. 620 K 13 c 85).

Place BONY, FRANCE.Date JUNE 6, 1919.REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL.

Remains of:

Name: BOYD, GORDAN

Number:

Rank: 1ST LT.Organization: CO B 120TH INF.Disinterment and Reburial made by Group #2 Unit 302Disinterred (Date) JUNE 4, 1919. From: (Give complete location)GRAVE 16, ROW 1, PLOT A, HESBECOURT CHURCH YARD CEMETERY, MAP RFS.CAMBRAI S.W. EAST 170.1, NORTH 359.7.Reburied (Date) JUNE 4, 1919. in: (Give complete location) 636GRAVE 200, ROW 8, PLOT B, BONY MILITARY CEMETERY, MAP RFS. 13 S.W.EAST #75# 176.3, NORTH 363.8.

Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment:

NO WRAPPING, CONDITION POOR.Was one identification tag found upon the body? NOWhat other means of identification were found on the body? NONE

CONFIRMED N° D

11222

Note:

If upon disinterment, effects are found upon bodies, they will be promptly sent to the Effects Depot direct as is required by G.O. 170, G.H. 2, 1918., after being carefully examined for clues to identity in doubtful cases, notation whereof will be made and reported to Chief, Graves Registration Service.

Supervised by: Paul J. Slifer C. E. Braden 2ND LT. QMCC.O. Group #2 Unit 302

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CODE SLIP

HEADING	SUB HEADING	NO. OF COLS	CODE
NAME <i>Boyd, Gordon</i>	<i>Boyd</i>	3	<i>2 0 12</i> <i>5 5 5</i>
BURIED	CEMETERY <i>636</i>	1	<i>5</i>
	GRAVE <i>4</i>	2	<i>04</i>
	ROW <i>10</i>	2	<i>10</i>
	BLOCK <i>a</i>	1	<i>1</i>
STATE	<i>N. Y.</i>	2	<i>37</i>
RANK	<i>1st Lt.</i>	1	<i>1</i>
DIVISION	<i>30th</i>	2	<i>30</i>
ORGANIZATION	<i>120th</i>	3	<i>120</i>
ARM	<i>Inf</i>	1	<i>1</i>
MERITIAL	<i>No</i>	1	<i>2</i>
NAME <i>Townsend</i>	<i>Town</i>	3	<i>15 5 13</i>
<i>Sister</i>	STATE <i>N.Y.</i>	2	<i>37</i>
<i>Mrs Mary Louise</i>	COUNTY <i>N.Y.</i>	2	<i>31</i>
RESIDENCE <i>171 W 57 ST NYC</i>	CITY <i>NYC</i>	3	<i>101</i>
RELATION	<i>Mother</i>	1	<i>1</i>
OTHER <i>no loco no SM</i>		1	
ELIGIBILITY	<i>Dead</i>	1	<i>6</i>
NATIVITY		1	
RACE		1	
ENGLISH		1	
ATTENDANT		1	
HEALTH		1	
NO. OF SONS		1	
DATE OF TRIP	MO.	1	
	YR.	1	
ACCEPTANCE		1	
29/514/EAB			

AUDITED
SEP 29 1932 MB

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C

Boyd, Gordon - 636 Sis

July 8, 1930.

Sister

Mrs. Mary Louise Townsend,
171 West 57th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

Your attention is invited to the enclosed copy of an Act of Congress of March 2, 1929, together with an amendment thereto, approved May 15, 1930.

This office has no record of any person entitled under the Act mentioned to make a pilgrimage to the cemeteries in Europe as the mother or widow of the above named deceased service man. To complete the list of eligibles and to assure that, if the above named man is survived by a mother or widow entitled to make a pilgrimage she receive an invitation to do so, it is requested you answer the following questions in the space provided on this letter and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

1. Is the deceased survived by a mother?

If so, give her name and address:

no

2. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not remarried?

If so, give her name and address:

no

3. Is the deceased survived by any woman who stood in loco parentis to him according to the terms of Section 4 (a) of the enclosed Act as amended?

If so, give her name and address:

no

For The Quartermaster General,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures:
Envelope
Act
Amendment



A. D. Hughes
A. D. HUGHES,
Captain, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
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Will you please fill in the answers to the following questions in the space provided on this letter, and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage?

Write answers in space below:

1. Is the deceased survived by a widow who has not since remarried?

no

2. If so, give her complete address:

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~~no~~

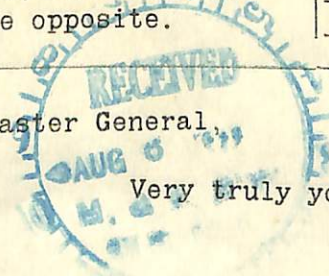
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Very truly yours,



JOHN T. HARRIS,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Assistant.

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Act of Congress
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY REFER TO QM 293 A-C
Boyd, Gordon

May 16, 1929.
XC 71 790

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1340 Thorndale Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

S. Mary Louise Townsend
171 W. 57th St.
New York, N Y

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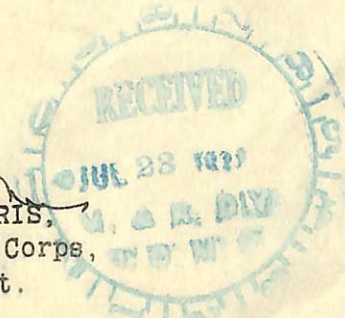
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Your attention is particularly invited to Section 4 of the enclosed Act, which defines the terms "mother" and "widow". If the relative is a stepmother, mother through adoption, or any woman who stood in loco parentis to the decedent, a statement as to her relationship is requested. If he was survived by a widow who has since remarried it is also requested that a statement to that effect be made.

For your reply, you may use the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

For The Quartermaster General,

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Assistant.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
WASHINGTON, D. C.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

RETURN
TO WALTER
JAMES LIMED



CHICAGO, ILL.
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*Opened by
unknown person*

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JUN 7 1929
D. C. DIVISION

WASHINGTON, D. C.
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PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

MAY 31 1929

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Assistant.

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Envelope.

Q. M. G. W. E. R. DIV. 1
MAY 15 PM 12
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To be prepared in triplicate.

DATE April 3, 1928

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT, PREPARATION, SHIPMENT AND REBURIAL OF BODY

DISINTERMENT

COMPARATIVE REPORT

Records of G.R.S. Headquarters.

Discrepancy found upon exhumation of body

1. Name BOYD, Gordon

10. Name _____

2. No. -

11. No. _____

3. Rank 1st Lieut.

12. Rank _____

4. Org. Co. B, 120th Inf.

13. Org. _____

5. D.D. Oct. 5, 1918

14. (a) D.D. _____

6. C.D. KIA

(b) D.B. _____

Discrepancy found upon disinterment

7. Grave No. 9 Sec. _____

15. Grave No. _____ Sec. _____

8. Plot Block A Row 9

16. Plot _____ Row _____

9. _____

17. _____

18. Cemetery Somme

19. Commune or town Bony

20. Dept. or County Aisne

21. Country France

22. G.R.S. Hdqrs. Code No. #636

23. Disinterred (Date) April 3, 1928

By L. Gordon

24. Inscription on grave marker:

Name BOYD, Gordon

Serial No. -

Rank 1st Lieut.

Organization Co. B, 120th Inf.

25. Was identification disc found on grave marker? _____ On body? No.

Signature Junior Technical Assistant

PREPARATION

26. What other means of identification were on body? (If no disc or other means of identification on body, give description of body in detail).

27. Condition of body _____

28. Nature of burial Pine box and burlap

29. Any discrepancy noted upon examination of body, as compared with G.R.S. records quoted above? _____

30. Body prepared and placed in casket: Date April 3, 1928 By L. Gordon

31. Casket sealed by L. Gordon

Signature of Embalmer, (Supervisor)

L. Gordon
L. GORDON

SHIPMENT. (Show actual marking of box.) Box No. _____

32. Designation of body: _____

Name BOYD, Gordon Serial No. _____

Rank 1st Lieut. Organization Co. B, 120th Inf.

33. Consigned to: _____

Name of Permanent Cemetery Somme, Bony, Aisne

34. Casket boxed and marked (Date) April 3, 1928 By J.J. DILLON

35. I hereby certify that all the foregoing operations were conducted and accomplished under my immediate supervision and that the report above is correct.

Signature of G.R.S. Inspector _____

36. Remarks _____
J.J. DILLON *J.J. Dillon*

37. Shipped from point of Operation: (Date) _____

To point of Concentration _____ (Name)

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____

38. Received at Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

By G.R.S. Representative _____

39. Shipped from Railhead or Point of Concentration: Date _____

To Permanent Cemetery _____ (Name)

Convoyer _____ Signature Shipping Officer _____

40. Received: Date _____

G.R.S. Representative _____

41. Reinterred April 3, 1928 Somme American Cty.
(Date)

42. Grave No. 4 Section _____

43. Plot Block A Row 10

G.R.S. Representative _____

J.F.V. Brady
J.F.V. BRADY
Superintendent.

Place Somme Cty. 636.

REPORT OF DISINTERMENT AND REBURIAL

Date April 3, 1928.

1. REMAINS OF BOYD, Gordon SERIAL NUMBER 777

RANK 1st Lieutenant. ORGANIZATION Co. B, 120th Inf.

2. Disinterred (date) : April 3, 1928. From (give complete location) :

Grave 9, Block A, Row 9.

By : Group Cty. Unit _____

3. Reburied (date) : April 3, 1928. In (give complete location) :

Grave 4, Block A, Row 10.

By : Group _____ Unit _____ Nature of reburial Metallic Casket.

4. Report as to nature of original burial and condition of body upon disinterment :

Pine box and burlap.

5. (a) Identification tags : Buried with body ? NO. On grave marker ? Al. Strip.

(b) Other means of identification found upon disinterment and general remarks :

6. What does examination of body show as regards the following identifying items ?

(a) Height (actual measurement)

(b) Weight (estimated)

(c) Hair—Color

Quantity

Characteristics

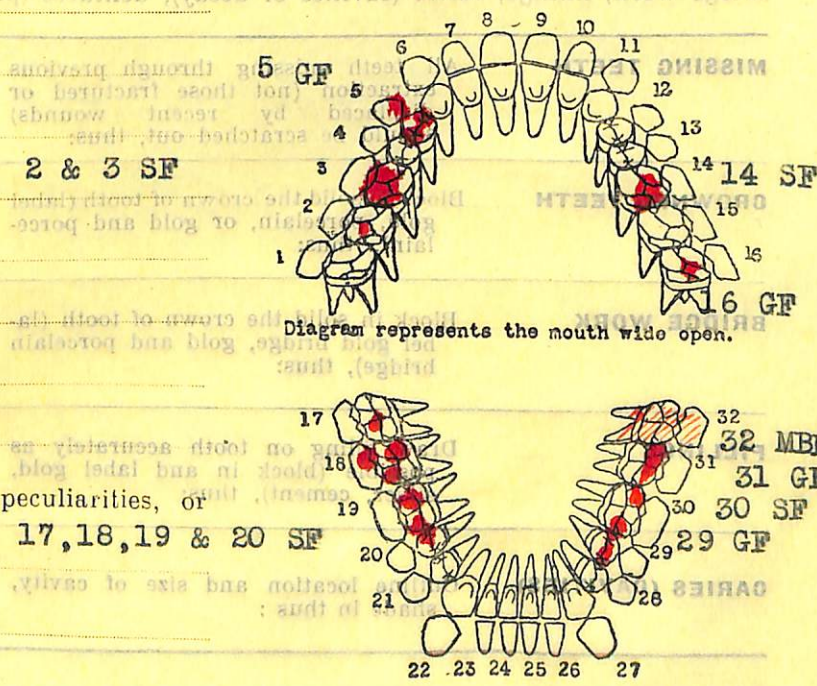
(d) Hair on face—Color

Location

Quantity

(e) Permanent marks on body (old scars, peculiarities, or

missing parts)



(f) Wounds or missing parts (received at time of casualty)

Left clavicle fractured.

7. Disinterment supervised by L. Gordon

Approved : _____
(Title)

8. Reburial supervised by J. J. Pillow

Approved : _____
(Title)

636-1102

Boyd (Surname.) Gordon (Christian name in full.) (Army serial number)

1st Lt Co B 120th Inf (Rank and organization.)

MAY 2 1919

State your relationship to the deceased. Brother

Do you desire the remains brought to the United States? No (Yes or no.)

If remains are brought to the United States, do you wish them interred in a national cemetery? (Yes or no.)

If you desire the remains interred at the home of the deceased, give full information below as to where they should be sent.

(Name of person to receive remains.) (Express office.) (Telegraph office.)

(Number and street.) (City or town.) (State.)

(Sign here) William G. Boyd

1340 Wendale Ave Chicago Illinois (Number and street or rural route.) (City, town, or post office.) (State.)

Read carefully the letter accompanying this card. 3-6713

Ames Court #636

Drawn by Pm
636-120
2-8

REVIEWED
OSP SS
70-2-8-21

.QM 293 A-C

BOYD, Gordon - 1st Lieut.

April 24, 1926

Mr. William T. Boyd,
1340 Thorndale Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

The Quartermaster General desires to invite your attention to the inclosed card which gives the permanent cemetery location of the soldier's grave in which you are interested.

This American overseas military cemetery is to be maintained by the United States for all time. The graves will be permanently marked by white headstones inscribed with the name, rank, division, organization, date of soldier's death and State from which he came. Headstones will be placed at all graves, as soon as possible, and without necessity for special action or request on the part of relatives.

Please be assured that in effecting removal of the dead, the utmost reverential care was exercised by those who performed this sacred duty. For the future, these graves will be perpetually maintained by the Government in a manner befitting the last resting place of our heroes.

Very truly yours,

1 Incl.
Record card.

L.W. REDINGTON,
Major, Q.M.C.,
Assistant.

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752

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COMPILATION OF DISPOSITION OF REMAINS DATA

File -30618

I. LOCATION INDEX CARD:

(a) Name Boyd, Gordon Ser. No. -----
 (b) Rank 1st Lt. Organization Co. B. 120th Inf. } TYP. ZK
 (c) Date of death 10-5-18 (d) Cause of death K/A } CKR. G.M.C.

II. REGISTRATION CARD.—(Check Reg., Card Inf. against Loc., Ind., Inf.):

(a) Grave No. 200 Row 8 Plot B Sec. ----- TYP. ZK
 (b) Emerg. Address Mr. E. McWhiting (Brother-in-Law) 56 Pine St., New York, N.Y.

III. Files of soldiers dying from contagious diseases ----- NO FILES CKR. L.S.

IV. A. G. O. DISPOSITION CARD:

Date of receipt ----- none

(a) Name William T. Boyd (b) Relationship Brother
 (c) Address 1340 Thorndale Ave., Chicago, Ill.
 (d) Remains to be brought to U. S.? ----- no
 (e) To be interred in National Cemetery in U. S. at -----

(f) Shipping instructions upon arrival of body in U. S. ----- OK at S

(g) Disposition instructions if not brought to U. S. -----

Examiner's Initials BR Date 9-1-, 1920.

V. A. G. O. CORRESPONDENCE shows communication from -----

-----, dated -----

confirming request in Par. IV., item -----, above, or requesting that -----

no correspondence

Examiner's Initials BR Date 9-1-, 1920.

VI. G. R. S. FILES, CORRESPONDENCE—shows as follows: -----

No request for disposition

(a) Cancellation memos referred to? yes 76-24

Examiner's Initials 76-24 Date 9-2-, 1920.

COUNTRY **France**

CEMETERY No. 636

SHEET No. 120

Typed by _____, Checked by _____, 1920.

VIII. FINAL ACTION:

Following advice forwarded to Europe by { cable on _____, 1920
letter on 9/4 _____, 1920

Par. # 2. Not to be returned. (MacB)

IX. CORRECTIONS

CHANGE OF ADVICE.	ACTION TAKEN.
Desires body be _____	
Body to be shipped to _____	

X. SUSPENSION REMARKS: Form 120, 9/20, ^{change brother's name, request of him} William T. Boyd (brother), 1340 Phondale Ave, Chicago, Ill., requests body remains in Europe.

Letter 3/24/21. Edward M. Whitney - Executor of ^{9-17-20. F.L.} Estate of deceased - State photographs of grave received by him have name spelled Gordon which should be Gordon. Also what space are plans of gov't. for permanent memorials to take place of wooden crosses. If none are individuals permitted to erect memorials at their own expense. If so, erect permanent memorial as per name be spelled correctly. MBB-3-2924

C O P Y

293.8 Cem. #30618 BOYD, Gordon

March 24, 1921

Chief, Graves Registration Service,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am the Executor of the Estate of the late First Lieutenant Gordon Boyd, Company "B", 120 Infantry, whose remains are buried in Grave 200, Lot 8, Plot B, American Cemetery 636, Bony Aisne, France. I received some little time ago from the American Red Cross a photograph of Lieutenant Boyd's grave.

First of all, I would call attention to the fact that the first name on the cross is incorrectly spelled. It is there written Gorden, Whereas the correct spelling is Gordon.

I am writing to ask what, if any, are the plans for permanent memorials to take the place of these wooden crosses. If there are no plans, and nothing further is to be done by the Government in the matter, is it allowable for private individuals to erect memorials at their own expense subject, of course, to the rules and regulations governing the matter? If a permanent memorial is to be erected by the Government, I hope note will be made of the fact of the misspelling of the name, so that it will appear properly spelt on said memorial.

If this inquiry is not properly for your Department, kindly forward it to the Department to which it should have been addressed.

Yours truly,

Edward McK. Whiting.

EMW-E

lc.

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Office of Project Inspection
Cemetery Division

MAR 26 1921

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SEP 7 1920 *met*

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON

636-120

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FROM: Chief, Graves Registration Service, Q. M. C.
To: William T. Boyd, 1340 Thorndale Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Push Answer

note change in brother's name

SUBJECT: Remains of First Lieut. Gordon Boyd, Co.B., 120th Inf.

The records of this office show that you have requested that his body Not returned to U.S. *no change in which method*

CEMETERY OVERSEAS PROJECT SECTION

If these are not the correct instructions, please correct them. Make corrections on reverse side of this sheet.

The nearest relative may choose between, (1) return of the body to any address in the United States; (2) interment in Arlington, Va., or any other National Cemetery; or (3) remain in Europe.

By authority of the Quartermaster General.

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Major U. S. A.

If all blank spaces below are not filled out, it will necessitate a return of this paper and a **SERIOUS DELAY** in the shipment of this body. State in each case WHETHER these relatives are STILL LIVING.

SEP 13 1920
RECEIVED

Noted on 9-17-20. J.L.

NAME OF—	NO. AND STREET.	TOWN.	STATE.
Soldier's widow <i>not married</i>			
Soldier's children. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>none</i>		
	2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Father <i>deceased</i>			
Mother <i>deceased</i>			
Brothers. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>William T. Boyd</i>	<i>1340 Thorndale Ave</i>	<i>Chicago Ill</i>
	2 <i>Henry J. Boyd</i>	<i>Windsor Hotel</i>	
	3	<i>1614 East 56th st</i>	<i>Chicago Ill</i>
Sisters. (Name oldest first.)	1 <i>Mrs L.D. White Jr.</i>	<i>Orchard Cottage</i>	<i>Great Neck, Long Island, New York</i>
	2 <i>Mrs. E. M. Whiting</i>	<i>48. Wall st.</i>	<i>New York, N.Y.</i>
	3		

Date *Sept 13th*
Address *1340 Thorndale Ave Chicago*

Signature *William T. Boyd*
Relationship *Brother*

IMPORTANT.— CAREFULLY read instructions before filling out this paper.

30618
GRAVE LOCATION BLANK

LOCATION OF THE GRAVE OF

Boyd, Gordon #.
(Surname.) (Number.) (First Name and Initials.)

First Lt. Co. B. 120 Inf.
(Rank.) (Organization.)

DATE OF BURIAL Oct. 2, 1918.

PLACE OF BURIAL Hesbecourt

(Give Cemetery, Town and Department.) Map reference must specify clearly what map is used.

Sheet 62 N.E. L-13-C. 5-7.

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GRAVE NUMBER 16 U.S.A. Plot Row Q

HOW MARKED: Name Peg? Cross?

Headboard? Bottle? Yes.

IDENTIFICATION TAGS

Was one buried with body? No.

Was one fastened to name peg or stake used as a grave marker? No.

If name unknown and tags missing, description and marks should be given here:

Name on paper in bottle.

NAME Hesbecourt (Somme)
(G-59) SHT. 13 SW COORD E170.1
N359.7

REPORTED BY:

Chaplain Erwin L. Ayeritt.

(Signature and Rank of Reporting Officer.)

This portion to be sent to Chief of Graves Registration Service

1. G. R. S. Form No. 1. Hq. G. R. S. File

2. Soldier's No. Number 30618

3. Boyd Gordon
Surname (in block letters) First Name and Initials

4. Lieut B 120 Inf
Rank Company Regt. or Corps

5. 9/9/18 K.I.A.
Date of Death Cause, if known

6. 10/2/18 Hesbecourt Church Yd
Date of Burial Cemetery

7. Hesbecourt
Town or Commune (in block letters) Department

8. 16 1
Grave No. Plot No. or Letter

9. Name Peg? Cross? Headboard? Bottle?
Check Method of Marking

10. Buried with Body? Attached to Grave Marker?
Identification Tags

11. If name unknown and tags missing, give marks and description.

12. 620 413 c 85
Map Reference, if interment is outside of cemetery

13. A.I. Foster
Give name of Chaplain or Burial Officer

Signed: *Chas. Swatman*

Group 2 Unit 302 G. R. S.

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OSP SS.

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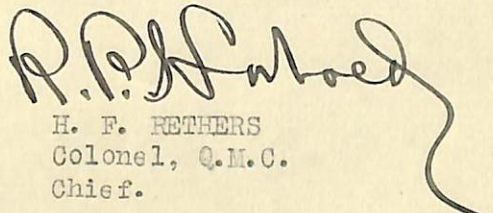
293. Boyd, Gordon.

3rd Ind.

CPG
HW/iwa.

Hqrs., American G.R.S., Q.M.C., in Europe, 8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris. May 9,
1921. To: Quartermaster General, Munitions Building, WASHINGTON, D.C.

1. Returned, accomplished.
2. Photographic Section, these Headquarters, has been notified in order that new photograph may be taken of the grave with corrected inscription.


H. F. RETHERS
Colonel, Q.M.C.
Chief.



293. Boyd, Gordon.

3rd Ind.

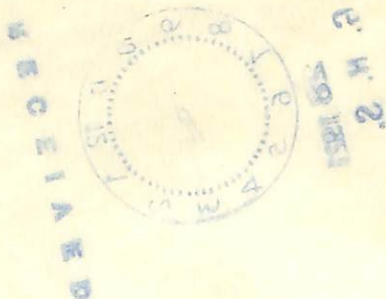
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Colonel, Q.M.C.
Chief.



293. Boyd, Gordon

1st Ind.

APA
HN/nva.

Hqrs., American G.R.S., QMC., in Europe, 8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris. May 3, 1921.
To: Supervisor, Area #3, Amiens (Somme).

1. Forwarded for preparation of new aluminium strips, correction of the records of your office and change of inscription on the cross in compliance with instructions contained in paragraph 1, basic communication.

By direction:

Edgar A. Fry
EDGAR A. FRY
Colonel, Infantry,
Chief, Operations Division.

Bony.

2nd Ind.

ajd:jgj

Hqrs., Area #3, American GRS., QMC. in E., Amiens, Somme. May 5, 1921.
To: Chief, American GRS., QMC. in E., Paris.

1. Returned. Complied with.

BOYD. Gordon. 1st Lieut. Co. B. 120th Inf.
Date of death 10/5/18.

A. J. Davis
A. J. DAVIS
Major, QMC
Supervisor

RECORDED



G.R.S. Form No. 122.
Change of Inscription.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

April 4, 1921.

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div., #30618 - Registration.
~~File No.~~ ~~Registration~~

From: Office of the Quartermaster General, Chief, Cemeterial Division, (GRS)
Munitions Building, 19th & B Streets, N.W., Washington, D. C.

To: Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe,
8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris, France.

Subject: Change of Inscription on Grave Marker.

1. It is requested that the inscription on the marker erected
over grave # 200, plot B, ~~Row~~ ^{Row} # 8, Cty. # 636,
Flanders Field American Cemetery, Bony, Aisne, France

be corrected to correspond with the records of this office which show
1st Lieutenant Gordon Boyd Company B, 120th Infantry

Date of death 10/5/18

2. When this has been done, advise the Red Cross Photographic
Section in order that another photograph may be taken of the grave with
the correct inscription.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut. Colonel, U.S. Army,
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

CMN/ms
Inv.S.S.
Inv. & Adj. Dept.
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RECORDED, A.G.R.S., Q.M.C., IN EUROPE
FILE NO. 293 Boyd, Gordon



HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN GRAVES REGISTRATION SERVICE, Q.M.C., IN EUROPE
8, Avenue d'Iena, Paris

April 29, 1921

30618

File No.

From: Chief,

To: Quartermaster General, U.S. Army (Cemeterial Division)

Subject: Acknowledgment of correspondence.

FILE

Receipt this date is acknowledged of the following correspondence
from your office:

Letter)

dated: April 4, 1921

~~Indorsement~~ x)

File No. 293.8 Cem.Div., #30618 - Registration (Form 122)

Subject: Change of Inscription on Grave Marker

Name: 1st Lieut. Gordon Boyd

H. F. Sellers
Colonel, Q.M.C.

DMK.

G.R.S. Form No. 122.
Change of Inscription.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

FILE

April 4, 1921.

File No. 395.8 Gen.Div., #30618 - Registration.
File No. Registration.

From: Office of the Quartermaster General, Chief, Cemeterial Division, (GRS)
Munitions Building, 19th & B Streets, N.W., Washington, D. C.

To: Chief, American Graves Registration Service, Q.M.C., in Europe,
8 Avenue d'Iena, Paris, France.

Subject: Change of Inscription on Grave Marker.

1. It is requested that the inscription on the marker erected
over grave # 200, plot B, ^{Row} section 48, Cty. # 636,

Flanders Field American Cemetery, Somme, Aleno, France

be corrected to correspond with the records of this office which show
1st Lieutenant Gordon Boyd Company B, 130th Infantry

Date of death 10/5/18

2. When this has been done, advise the Red Cross Photographic
Section in order that another photograph may be taken of the grave with
the correct inscription.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

CHARLES C. PIERCE,
Lieut. Colonel, U.S. Army,
Chief, Cemeterial Division.

MAILED
APR 13 1921

G.R.S.

CMN/ms
Inv.S.S.
Inv. & Adj. Dept.

W/O
INFORMATION CONTROL M.M.G.

MS-7763/JC

INVESTIGATION AND ADJUSTMENT DEPARTMENT.

G. R. S. Form S-W-A
Information requested of A. G. O.

WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON

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Date April 4, 1921.

File No. 30618

Registration.

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army (Cemeterial Division).

To: The Adjutant General of the Army, Sixth and B Streets NW., Washington, D. C.

Subject: Information required for G. R. S.

1. It is requested that the items checked below be completed. Request confirmation of all information shown.

- a. Surname. BOYD
- b. Christian name. Gordon
- c. Serial number.
- d. Organization. Co. B, 120th Inf.
- e. Rank. 1st Lt.

- f. Date of death. 10/5/18
- g. Cause of death. K/A
- h. Authority (C. C. No.) 289 279 Oct 12, 1918
- i. Emergency address. Ernest Whiting
56 Pine St
New York City
- j. Relationship. Bro-in-law

BODY DESCRIPTION.

(See page 2 of the Service Record.)

- a. Age at enlistment.
- b. Color of eyes.
- c. Color of hair.
- d. Height.
- e. Weight.
- f. Permanent marks and physical defects at enlistment. (Old fractures or breaks.)

DENTAL CHARTS.

(See physical report of examination prior to enlistment.)

- a. Strike out teeth missing:

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Upper right	Upper left.
8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Lower right.	Lower left.

LN 201 Dies
World War Division
APR 6 1921

201 Dies
World War Division
APR 8 1921

H. L. ROGERS,
Quartermaster General, U. S. A.,

By

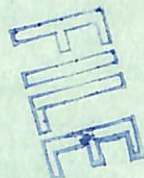
H. J. CONNER,
1st Lieut. ~~Captain~~ Q. M. C.

mkm
Mr. Wilson

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April 1st 1921.



293.8-Cem.#30618-(Boyd, Gordon 1st Lieut.)

From: The Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, (Cemeterial Division)
To: Mr. Edward McK. Whiting, Counsellor At Law, 48 Wall St. New York.
Subject: Case of 1st Lieut. Gordon Boyd.

1. In reply to your letter of March 24, 1921, you are advised that instructions will be issued that the inscription on the cross marking the grave of the deceased be corrected as follows: "1st Lieutenant Gordon Boyd, Company B, 120th Infantry."

2. The Government will erect permanent grave markers or tombstones at the graves of our soldier dead, which are to be permanently interred in France. Your attention in this connection is invited to paragraph #10, of the enclosed Cemeterial Division Bulletin No.10-G-W.

By authority of the Quartermaster General:

LN

CHARLES J. WYNNE,
1st Lieut. Q.M.C.

J. I. S.

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MAILED
APR 2 1921
G.R.S.

To: Inquiry Section.
From: Overseas Project Sub-Section.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION on Cemetery No. ⁴³⁶ (furnished by: MBK) (date 3-29-21)
Data sent Overseas Body not to be returned - Let trans 9-4-20
Operations to commence (approx.) Have begun
Operations to be completed (approx.) _____
Bodies shipped from European Port _____
Bodies arrived at Hoboken _____

II. CASE OF Boyd, Gordon, 1st Lt. Co. B. 120 Reg. Inf.

The following information was abstracted (Date) 3-29-21 from: Form 115

SOURCE	CLK.	in OFFICE	Clk.	in OFFICE
A. G. O. Cards	<u>MBK</u>	<u>yes</u>		
A.G.O. Corresp.				
G.R.S. Corresp. relative to disp.				

Agoo Card & Form 120 9/13/20 - concurs.
DESIRES as to Disposition.

Name of Relative	RETURN			REMAIN	SPECIAL
	N. C.	Pvt.	Int.		
Widow <u>none</u>					
Children (Name oldest first)					
Father <u>Deceased</u>					
Mother <u>Deceased</u>					
Brothers <u>William T. Boyd, 1340 Thurndale Ave., Chicago, Ill.</u>					
Sisters					

Body to be shipped to _____ was shipped (Date) _____

REMARKS Cty 636 Audited F 115 in Wash.
599 bodies in process on 8 Cambrai cable com 3/21-2

MBK
AMR

EDWARD MCK. WHITING
COUNSELLOR AT LAW
48 WALL STREET
NEW YORK
TELEPHONE HANOVER 6758

March 24, 1921.

Recorded, Cemeterial Div., O. D. M. C.
File # 293.8 # 30618

Chief, Graves Registration Service,
Washington, D. C.

1546

Dear Sir:

I am the Executor of the Estate of the late First Lieutenant Gordon Boyd, Company "B", 120 Infantry, whose remains are buried in Grave 200, Lot 8, Plot B, American Cemetery 636th Bony, Aisne, France. I received some little time ago from the American Red Cross a photograph of Lieutenant Boyd's grave.

First of all, I would call attention to the fact that the first name on the cross is incorrectly spelled. It is there written Gorden, whereas the correct spelling is Gordon.

I am writing to ask what, if any, are the plans for permanent memorials to take the place of these wooden crosses. If there are no plans, and nothing further is to be done by the Government in the matter, is it allowable for private individuals to erect memorials at their own expense subject, of course, to the rules and regulations governing the matter? If a permanent memorial is to be erected by the Government, I hope note will be made of the fact of the misspelling of the name, so that it will appear properly spelled on said memorial.

If this inquiry is not properly for your Department, kindly forward it to the Department to which it should have been addressed.

Yours truly,

Edward McK. Whiting

EMW-E

Boyd, Gordon

NOTED ON 115
MB 163-29-21

THIS MEMORANDUM MUST NOT BE REMOVED

FOLLOW UP NO 1546
DATE MAR 30 1921

Date MAR 26 1921

TO: 1. Inquiry Branch for reply:
(a) ~~Forms 124 not necessary~~
(b) Form 124 attached

2. Miss Barry
3. Miss Doland
4. Mrs. Cairns
5. Miss Critchett
6. Mr. Deming
7. Mr. Good
8. Lt. Hanson
9. Mr. Hughitt
10. Mrs. Landman
11. Miss Olenin
12. Miss Rex
13. Mrs. Ruth
14. Mr. Saxton
15. Miss Schlegel
16. _____